

### **Mission**

Improve Ohio's future by habilitating youth and empowering families and communities

### **Vision**

A safer Ohio: one youth, one family and one community at a time

### **About DYS**

The Ohio Department of Youth Services (DYS) is the juvenile corrections system for the state of Ohio. DYS is statutorily mandated to confine felony offenders, ages 10 to 21, who have been adjudicated and committed by one of Ohio's 88 county juvenile courts.

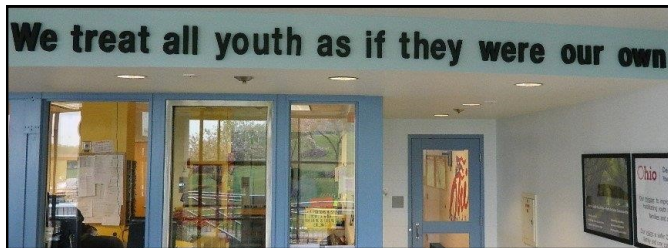
DYS touches the lives of thousands of youth in Ohio. Beyond youth in DYS facilities and those on parole, DYS funds and supports 625 community programs throughout the state offering more than 93,000 youth (based on annual program admissions) opportunities and services to impact positive change. These range from prevention and diversion programs to residential treatment and community treatment in areas such as mental health, sex offending and substance abuse.

### **Core Values**

- Our staff are our greatest resource.
- Believe every person can change.
- Encourage the best for youth and families.
- Strive to provide youth with everything they need to succeed.
- Treat everyone with respect.

### **Release Authority**

The release and discharge process begins when a youth is committed to DYS. Following the completion of an assessment process, Release Authority (RA) staff review the assessment results, commitment paperwork and other information provided by the court in order to complete release expectations for the youth. Release expectations outline court requirements and establishes youth, facility and parole expectations for the youth. Expectations are reviewed with the youth in a face-to-face meeting, including an explanation of the release and discharge process and clarification of any questions the youth may have. A schedule is created, which includes timelines for all subsequent reviews. A copy of release expectations and review schedule are provided to the youth, facility, parole region, youth's family, court and prosecutor.



### **Tip Line**

In order to make the DYS facilities as safe as possible for both youth and staff, DYS has established a Tip Line for sharing concerns related to the safety of youth. The Tip Line is a direct line to Central Office to report any safety issues, including any matters related to sexual misconduct. You can call the Tip Line from anywhere to report any concerns by dialing the toll-free number (855) 577-7714.



## **Quick Reference Guide for Families of Youth at DYS**



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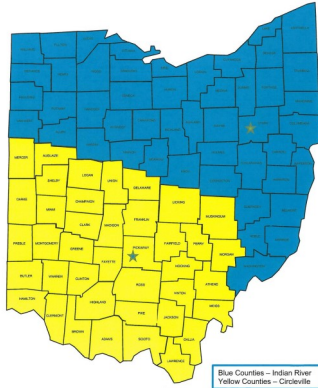
[www.Facebook.com/OhioDeptYouthServices](http://www.Facebook.com/OhioDeptYouthServices)



[www.YouTube.com/user/OhioDYS](http://www.YouTube.com/user/OhioDYS)

Having a child committed to the Department of Youth Services (DYS) can be a difficult event for both your child and you. In order to reduce this stress, your child will meet with a case manager on the day of his or her arrival to explain what your child can expect from DHS and what is expected from your child. The case manager will attempt to relieve your concerns by assisting your child in making a telephone call home on the first day your child is confined. At that time the case manager will provide you with an update on your child's adjustment and answer any questions you may have.

### Intake for Males



Map: intake by counties. During the first 3 days of his stay, DHS will assess your child's medical, dental, psychological, educational, legal, social and criminological needs. DHS will use this information to develop a comprehensive treatment

plan that will guide decisions about institutional placement, programming, parole requirements as well as release and discharge dates.

### Alternative Placements

#### For Girls

##### Montgomery County Center for Adolescent Services

333 Access Road, New Lebanon, OH, 45345 (937) 687-9427

##### Applewood Centers

3518 W. 25th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44109-1995 (216) 741-2241

##### Pomegranate Health Systems

765 Pierce Drive, Columbus, OH 43223 (614) 223-1650, ext. 303

#### For Boys

##### Lighthouse Youth Center at Paint Creek

1071 Tong Hollow Road, Bainbridge, OH 45612 (740) 634-3094

### Facilities

All DHS facilities offer substance abuse programming, victim awareness, sex offender programming, and gang interventions. Treatment targets a variety of issues including conduct disorders, anger, aggression, violence, depression, anxiety, self-injury, sleep disturbances, and more.

#### Circleville Juvenile Correctional Facility (CJCF)

640 Island Road, Circleville, OH 43113  
(740) 477-2500



Among the programs available at CJCF are construction, horticulture, graphics, Buckeye Reach peer mentors, community service, fatherhood services, and more.

##### CJCF VISITATION—Prior Approval Required

Monday through Friday: 2:30pm to 4:00pm for youth with GEDs and diplomas. 2:30pm to 8:30pm for youth in school.  
Saturday through Sunday: 9:30am to 4:30pm.

#### Cuyahoga Hills Juvenile Correctional Facility (ChJCF)

4321 Green Road, Highland Hills, OH 44128,  
(216) 464-8200



Among the programs available at ChJCF are horticulture, HVAC, city of Cleveland mentors for employment, community service, fatherhood services, and more.

##### ChJCF VISITATION—Prior Approval Required

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 6:00pm to 9:00pm  
Saturday: 8:00am to 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 5:00pm  
Sunday: 1:00pm to 5:00pm

#### Indian River Juvenile Correctional Facility (IRJCF)

2775 Indian River Road SW,  
Massillon, OH 44646



(330) 837-4211

Among the programs available at IRJCF are specialty units (mental health/life skills), framing and roofing, horticulture, mentors, community service, fatherhood services, and more.

##### IRJCF VISITATION—Prior Approval Required

Monday through Friday: 9:00am to 12:00pm for youth with GEDs and diplomas. 5:30pm to 8:30pm for all youth.  
Saturday through Sunday: 9:00am to 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 5:00pm

### Parole Services

Juvenile Parole Officers (JPOs) and other parole staff work with youth and their families to provide the guidance necessary for youth to become positive, contributing members of society. Beyond the important task of supervision, staff help youth on parole receive needed services including housing, public assistance, education and treatment for medical, mental health and substance abuse.

#### Northern Parole Region

##### District 1

One Government Center, Suite 1016  
Toledo, OH 43604  
(419) 245-3040

##### Northern Region, District 2

615 W. Superior Avenue, Suite 860  
Cleveland, OH 44113  
(216) 787-3350

##### Northern Region, District 3

161 South High Street, Suite 100  
Akron, OH 44308  
(330) 643-3040

#### Southern Parole Region

##### District 1

1133 South Edwin C. Moses Blvd., Suite 400  
Dayton, OH 45417  
(937) 285-6525

##### District 2

4545 Fisher Rd.  
Columbus, OH 43228  
(614) 466-4676